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## Professor Allan Inspects Central Eastern Oil Field

Professor John A. Allan, head of the Department of Geology, University of Alberta, Edmonton, paid a visit to the Central Eastern Oil Field last week on September 29th. In company with Mr. J. R. Love, M. L. A., an inspection of the outcrops along the Buffalo Coulee, Grattan Coulee, and Battle River was made. The Birch Lake sandstones are very prominent along the Buffalo Coulee and reappear in the Battle River and Grattan Coulee. In the latter the variegated beds, Birch Lake sandstones and Grizzly Bear shale beds of the Belly River Formation were quite visible. When interviewed by the editor of the Irma Times, Dr. Allan seemed very favorably impressed with the Central Eastern Oil Field. The structural formation is very promising, and deserves far more attention than it is receiving, while its accessibility could not be bettered. All that is required is the sinking of the necessary holes to prove the field. While the exterior evidence is very good the only thing that will prove any field in the province is the drill. And one or two holes will not prove any district, but as soon as one producing well has been brought in more will soon follow. So far the real test has scarcely been applied to any field as yet. Although distant fields look greener they have been found to be not so green as they appear from a distance. Consequently much time and capital have been expended this year and very little accomplished in proving the fields.

The Central Eastern Oil Fields extends from the Misty Hills south of Monitor to the country north-west of Birch Lake. The dominating structure curves slightly to the east of Czar. The Czar well which was a failure did not prove anything because it was not on the major structure but on a transverse west of the main structure. Other wells are being drilled near Monitor, Irma and Birch Lake.

It is to be hoped that the Companies who are drilling at present and who intend drilling in the near future will do with the purpose of proving the field and not as a camouflage to protect their leases. There has been too much capital wasted and too many useless derricks erected in the past. Consequently we have in Province of Alberta scarcely any producing wells and no fields proven. That the formations in Central Eastern Alberta are much similar to those of oil producing states to the south is a well known fact. That oil exists in certain subterranean regions of Alberta there is little doubt. What is needed is concentration of capital and energy on the promising fields which are most accessible.

In this respect the Central Eastern field is most ideal. It is traversed by four main line Railways which make it accessible from any given point. The Structural evidence has attracted the attention of the most noted geologists of many countries. These men have all been favorably impressed and have expressed their optimism of the future of the field. Some seven or eight holes have been started or have been sunk but so far none have been put down deep enough to prove the field. The well at Czar has caused some to lose faith in the field but it must be remembered was wrongly located in the first place and was considerably to the west of the major structure. The two wells started by the Grattan Co. south-east of Irma both encountered showings of oil at various depths but were discontinued after striking heavy flows of gas before the desired depths were attained.

Much attention now is being given to the Talpey-Arnold well at Birch Lake. If nothing hinders the sinking of this well to a sufficient depth there is every indication that it will bear successful results.

## SOUTHERN ALBERTA LAND MAP.

Owing to the rapidly approaching depletion of available Crown lands situated within a reasonable distance of a railway, attention is now being directed to the large extent of unoccupied and uncultivated land held by non-resident owners. As shown by statistics recently compiled in the Department of the Interior, a large part of these lands is available for purchase at reasonable prices.

The 1921 edition of the Southern Alberta Land Map, which is issued by the Department of the Interior, gives in colour scheme the location of the uncultivated lands that are offered for sale and also the remaining Crown Lands available for homesteading, whereby the settler can see at a glance all existing opportunities for settlement. The map has also many other features of interest, such as Indian and Forest Reserves, Timber Berths, Dominion Parks, Land Districts, and Agencies, Railway lines and all topographical features revised to date.

The Department will supply upon application Lists of unoccupied and uncultivated lands covering any particular district, containing the names and address of the owners, prices asked for the lands, nature of the soil, and acreage suitable for cultivation. Negotiations may then be carried on with the owner.

A copy of this map may be procured free of charge upon application to the Natural Resources Intelligence Branch Department of the Interior, Ottawa.

## Edmonton Clubs Unite to Entertain Farmer Members; Great Hospitality Is Shown

Providing a great feature to the general welcome and entertainment being given by the city of Edmonton this week to the premier, members of his cabinet and members of the legislature, the Rotary, Kiwanis and Gyros Clubs united at luncheon Thursday in the Masdonald and infused the spirit of good citizenship and co-operation for good into the hearts of every person assembled at the big gathering.

It was a great meeting—a meeting excellently arranged as a joint welcome to the new government members Premier Greenfield and his cabinet colleagues sat at the head of the table with President Jack Sherry, of the Kiwanis Club, President Jack Bond, of the Rotary organization and Reg. Henry, the chief of that young club—the Gyros.

And at the tables, seated with the various club members were the new M. L. A.'s of the province. All these visitors from the ordinary legislative member upwards to the Premier himself, were introduced to Edmonton business men and the applause they received in itself spoke of the hearty good will that the business men of Alberta's capital entertain for those who are now embarking on the great task of enacting Alberta's laws.

It was great to be with these farmer members. One learned a lot about the farm, about hogs and cattle, about sheep and such other good requisites to a good farm. For instance the writer learned that Leicester sheep did well in the spring; that lambs should be taken from the ewes during fixed periods of the day; that lambs will die if they become too fat; that fat sheep are wanted by the consuming public; that big boned hogs are as good as fat hogs because the bone turns the scale as well as meat anyway. All this and a great many other

things especially that now is the time to buy young two year old steers which are going very cheap and which will increase largely in value if held and fattened for awhile. Farmers, indeed, are great men to talk about the farm and one wonders how much of the topic will be lost at the assembling of the first session below the hill.

President Reg. Henry outlined to the meeting the aims and objects of the recently formed Gyro Club and told of the progress the organization was making internationally. Jack Sherry was particularly well at home on Thursday when he spoke of the wholeheartedness of western hospitality and of the pleasure it gave Edmonton business men to welcome the new Farmers' government.

The meeting closed by the Kiwanis Club giving an excellent stunt—one of those Jewish affairs. It brought "down the house" and was heartily enjoyed. Kiwanians Adams, Holloway, Peterson, Grainger and George Cooper shining particularly bright in the one act sketch.

Harry Evans made a capable chairman and to add joy and wonderment to the hearts of the farmers, the entire gathering sang the following:

How ya gon-na keep 'em down on the farm  
After they've been M. P.'s  
How ya gon-na keep 'em away from First Street,  
Jazzin' around all over the town?  
How ya gon-na keep 'em away from sheep?  
That's a mystery.  
They'll never want to see a rake or plow  
\* \* \* can't dictate a letter to a pig or cow.  
How ya gon-na keep 'em down on the farm  
After they've been M. P.'s?

## TEST HOLES TO BE SUNK ON BIG ACREAGE NORTH

Eastern Capitalists Will Start Exploration Work In Hay River District

Test holes to determine the full wealth of the area will be sunk next season at various points on twenty four thousand acres of land in the Hay River district by the syndicate of eastern capitalists who have acquired the holdings and in which Senator Nathaniel Curry, of Montreal is directly interested.

The Senator is in Edmonton in the course of a business tour of the west. A man of great strength in the world of commerce, Senator Curry, besides being interested in the oil fields of Northern Alberta, is chairman of the board of the North American Collieries which own mines at Evansburg, Drumheller and Lethbridge. He has been in conference with local officials of this concern during his visit here.

Oil fields in the north have attracted a great deal of attention in Eastern Canada, Senator Curry tells the Bulletin. He explains that the field at Hay River in which he is directly interested was located for the syndicate of eastern capitalists by Dr. O'Neill, a McGill geologist, who conducted a great and careful search of the prospective oil regions some time ago. As a geologist, Dr. O'Neill's reputation has been sustained by his location of a valuable field in India.

Speaking generally, Senator Curry expressed his opinion that there were sufficient coal mines in the province of Alberta which, if producing, would be able to serve double the amount of the provincial population.

Being a good Unionist, he believes that Premier Meighen and his party will again be returned to power.

The Senator says he finds business conditions improving wherever he goes. Business men in all cities are showing confidence for increased trade in the near future and optimism is everywhere evident. Senator Curry is accompanied here by Mrs. Curry.

## WORLD'S SERIES

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## Oh, Money! Money!

—BY—  
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Mr. Smith sat his table in the corner, glanced nervously toward the door, then bent assiduously over his work, as being less conspicuous than the flight he had been tempted for a moment to essay. But even this was not to be, for the next moment, to his surprise, the girl appeared directly to him.

"Mr. Smith, please, won't you take me somewhere to-morrow?"

"Mellicent!" Even Miss Maggie was shocked, now, and showed it.

"I can't help it, Aunt Maggie. I've just got to be away!" Mellicent's voice was tragic.

"But, my dear, to ask a gentleman—" reproved Miss Maggie. She came to an indeterminate pause. Mr. Smith had crossed the room and dropped into a chair near them.

"See, here, little girl, suppose you tell us just what is behind—all this," he began gently.

Mellicent shook her head stubbornly. "I can't. It's too silly. Please let it go that I want to be away."

"Mellicent, we can't do that," Miss Maggie's voice was quiet. "We can't do anything, until you tell us what it is."

There was a brief pause. Mellicent's eyes, still moist, turned first to the kindly questioning face of the man, then the less kindly but rather grave face of the woman. Then in a little breathless gasp it came.

"It's just something they're all saying. Mrs. Pennock said—about me."

"What was it?" Two little red spots had come into Miss Maggie's cheeks.

"Yes, what was it?" Mr. Smith was looking actually belittled.

"It was just that they weren't going to let Carl Pennock go with me any more—anywhere, or come to see me, because I—I didn't belong to their set."

"Their set!" exploded Mr. Smith. Miss Maggie said nothing, but the red spots deepened.

"Yes, it's just—that we aren't like them. I haven't got—money enough."

"That you haven't got—got—Oh, ye gods! For no adequate reason whatever Mr. Smith threw back his head suddenly and laughed. Almost instantly, however, he sobered. He had caught the expression of the two faces opposite.

"I beg your pardon, he apologized promptly. "It is just that to me—there was something very funny about that."

"But, Mellicent, are you sure? I don't believe she ever said it," doubted Miss Maggie.

He hadn't been near me—for a week. Not that I care. Mellicent turned with flashing eyes. "I don't care a bit—not a bit—about that!"

"Of course, you don't!" It's not worth even thinking of, either. What does it matter if she did say it, dear?

"Forget it!"

"But I can't bear to have them all talk—and notice," choked Mellicent. "And we were together such a lot before, and now I tell you I can't go to that dance to-morrow night!"

"And you shan't, if you don't want to," Mr. Smith assured her. "Right here and now I chide you and your Aunt Maggie to drive with me to-morrow to Hubbardville. There are some records there that I want to look up. We'll get dinner at the hotel. It will take all day and we shan't be home till late in the evening. You'll go?"

"Oh, Mr. Smith, you—you dear! Of course we'll go. I'll go straight now and telephone to somebody—everybody—that I shan't be there."

that I'm going to be out of town!" She sprang joyously to her feet—but Miss Maggie held out a restraining hand.

"Just a minute, dear. You don't care—you said you didn't care—that Carl Pennock doesn't come to see you any more?"

"And I don't!"

"Then you wouldn't want others to think you did, would you?"

"Of course not!" The red dyed Mellicent's forehead.

"You have said you'd go to this party, haven't you? That is, you accepted the invitation, didn't you, and people know that you did, don't they?"

"And, yes, of course! But that was before—Mrs. Pennock said what she did."

"Of course. But—just what do you think these people are going to say to-morrow night, when you aren't there?"

"Why, that I—I—" The color drained from her face and left it white. "They wouldn't expect me to go after that—insult!"

"Then they'll understand that you—care, won't they?"

"Why, I—I—They—I can't—" She turned sharply and walked to the window. For a long minute she stood, her back toward the two watching her. Then, with equal abruptness, she turned and came back.

Her cheeks were very pink now, her eyes very bright. She carried her head with a proud little tilt.

"I think, Mr. Smith, that I won't go with you to-morrow after all," she said steadily. "I've decided to go to that dance."

The next moment the door shut crisply behind her.

## CHAPTER VIII. A Santa Claus Held Up.

It was about five months after the multi-millionaire, Mr. Stanley G. Fulton, had started for South America, that Edward D. Norton, Esq., received the following letter:

Dear Ned—I'm glad there's only one more month to wait. I feel like the child of a million dollars, held up by a snowdrift, and I just can't wait to see the children dance—when they get them.

And let me say right here and now how glad I am that I did this thing. Oh, yes, I'll admit I still feel like the child of a million dollars, at times, perhaps; but I'll forget that—when the children begin to dance.

And, really, never have I seen a bunch of people who I thought I'd like so much as the little money would do more good to than the Blaisdells here in Hillerton. My own dear Ned, I didn't know—about Miss Maggie Duff, so that she could have had some, too. (Oh, yes, I've found out all about "Poor Maggie" now, and she's a dear—the typical self-sacrificing, self-effacing bearer of everybody's burdens, including a heavy share. However, since she isn't a Blaisdell, of course, so I couldn't have worked her into my scheme very well, I suppose, even if I had known about her. They all fond of her—though they impose on her time and her sympathies abominably. But I reckon she'll get some of the benefits of the others' thousands. Mrs. Jane, in particular, always says that she would do something for "Poor Maggie," so I dare say she'll be looked out for all right.

As to who will prove to be the wisest handler of the hundred thousand, and thus my eventual heir, I haven't the least idea. As I said before, they are all good, and I don't badly need it to be comfortable and happy, poor soul. Bless her heart! I wonder what she'll get first, Niagara, or the lake, or something to eat without looking at the price. Did I ever write you about those "three wishes of a king" thing?

I can't see that any of the family are really extravagant, unless, perhaps, it's Mrs. James'—she is. She is ambitious, and is inclined to live on a scale a little beyond her means. I judge. But that will be all right, if she has the sense to use the money to gratify her tastes. Jim—poor fellow, I shall be glad to see him take it easy, for once. He never could afford it, and her equally solid comfort he'll take with that hundred thousand! I can hear him draw the long breath now—for once every bill paid!

Of course, the Frank Blaisdells are the most thrifty of the bunch—at least, Mrs. Frank "Jane" is—and I dare say they would be the most conservative handlers of my millions. But time will tell. Anyhow, I shall be glad to see them enjoy themselves meanwhile with the hundred thousand. Maybe Mrs. Jane will be constrained to clear my room of a few of the mats and covers and tidies! I have hopes. At least, I shall surely have a vacation from everlasting everlasting "Of course, if I had the money I'd do it." Praise be for that—and I'll be worth a hundred thousand to me, believe me, Ned.

As for her husband—I'm not sure how he will take it. It isn't corn or peas or flour or sugar, you see, and I'm not posted as to his opinion of much of anything else. He'll spend some of it, though—I'm sure of that. I don't think he always thoroughly appreciates his wife's thrifty ideas of economy. I haven't forgotten the night I came home once, to find Mrs. Jane out calling, and Mr. Frank rambling around the house with every gas jet at full blast. It seems he was tacking his bag to go on a hurried business trip. He laughed a little sheepishly—I suppose he saw my blinking amazement at the illumination—and said something about being tired of always feeling his way through pitch-dark rooms. So, as I say, I'm not quite sure of Mr. Frank when he comes into possession of the hundred thousand. He's been cooped up in the dark so long he may want to blow in the whole hundred thousand in one grand flare of light. However, I reckon I needn't worry about it. I'll have Mrs. Jane—to turn some of the gas jets down.

As for the younger generation—they're fine, every one of them; and just think what this money will mean to them in education and advantages! Jim's son, Fred, eighteen, is a fine, manly boy. He's got his mother's ambitions, and he's keen for college—even talks of working his way (much to his mother's horror) if his father can't find the money to send him. Of course, that part will be all right now—in a month.

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Now, Mr. Smith—

Perhaps in no one do I expect to so thoroughly rejoice as I do in poor little pleasure-starved Mellicent. I realize, of course, that it will mean to her the solid advantages of college, music, culture, and travel; but I must confess that in my dearest vision, the child is reveling in one grand whirl of pink dresses and chocolate bonbons. Bless her dear heart!—I gave her one or two pound boxes of candy, but I never repeated the mistake. Besides enduring the manifestly suspicious disapproval of her mother because I had made the gift, I have had the added torment of seeing that box of chocolates doled out to that poor child at the rate of two pieces a day. They aren't gone yet, but I'll warrant they're as hard as bullet—those wretched bonbons. I picked the box up yesterday. You should have heard it rattle!

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Perhaps in no one do I expect to so thoroughly rejoice as I do in poor little pleasure-starved Mellicent. I realize, of course, that it will mean to her the solid advantages of college, music, culture, and travel; but I must confess that in my dearest vision, the child is reveling in one grand whirl of pink dresses and chocolate bonbons. Bless her dear heart!—I gave her one or two pound boxes of candy, but I never repeated the mistake. Besides enduring the manifestly suspicious disapproval of her mother because I had made the gift, I have had the added torment of seeing that box of chocolates doled out to that poor child at the rate of two pieces a day. They aren't gone yet, but I'll warrant they're as hard as bullet—those wretched bonbons. I picked the box up yesterday. You should have heard it rattle!

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## World Happenings Briefly Told

Japan will outfit an aircraft mother ship capable of housing three hydroplanes.

The U.S. Government is now selling 200 wooden ships for \$2,100 each, a mere fraction of their cost.

Farmers in the Western States are killing cattle to sell in the Omaha market for \$7.50 a hundred pounds, the lowest since 1911.

Jeanne Dussac, the French-Canadian soprano, is among the new stars who have been engaged by Mary Garden for the forthcoming season of the Chicago Opera Company.

Work on construction of the Lethbridge Northern Irrigation project is proceeding rapidly and it is now certain that the contract will be finished well within the time allowed.

A gram of radium, sealed in 11 vials of glass and lead and steel has been received in Philadelphia from the vaults of a trust company. Its value is \$70,454.

Four passengers were killed when the Strasbourg-Paris express airplane crashed while making a landing at Le Bourget. The pilot of the machine was so badly injured that he died in a hospital.

That Canada is probably as well able to face the future as almost any country in the world, is the effect of a statement made by Sir Robert Kindersley, governor of the Hudson's Bay Company, cabined to Winnipeg.

A German official note denials reports which have been in circulation to the effect that the German finance ministry was preparing a memorandum intended to prove the impossibility of Germany making further reparation payments.

More than 5,000 persons saw Eugene M. Stafford, of Boston, a balloonist, fall 600 feet to his death at the North Adams, Mass., fair. The web belting attaching him to his parachute broke as he changed parachutes. Stafford was giving an exhibition of the double parachute drop.

At the National Exhibition at Toronto, Manitoba made a good showing in butter. The Shoal Lake Creamery won second in the special prizes for highest score in the group of classes for 14-pound box of creamery; 56 pounds unsalted creamery, and 20 pounds creamery bricks.

The bones of two more dinosaurs will shortly be shipped to Toronto from Red Deer Valley, where they were shipped out of rock this summer by workmen under the direction of Dr. W. A. Parks. They will be added to the paleontology section of the Royal Ontario Museum.

## Do you know what constitutes a strong constitution?

To have sound, healthy nerves, completely under control, digestive organs that are capable of absorbing a hearty meal, means you have a strong constitution! Your general attitude is one of optimism and energy!

But an irritable disposition, frequent attacks of indigestion, and a languid depression, indicate your system is not in correct working order.

Probably you are not eating the proper food. Probably the nutritious elements are not being supplied to your system in the proper way.

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## For School Luncheon

BY LORETTO C. LYNCH  
An Acknowledged Expert in All Matters Pertaining to Household Management.

With the approaching return to school there arises the problem of the school lunch-box. The shops are showing a variety of attractive boxes. Some have an attractive hot-cold bottle of the three-fourth pint size.

The hot-cold bottle might contain some cocoa made with good rich milk. Again, while the days are still warm, it may contain some nourishing ice cream to be eaten with a piece of real sponge cake.

Besides the hot dish, of course, the average hungry boy and girl wants to find something else. A roll thickly spread with butter after it is cut, and the parts firmly pressed together should be substituted frequently for the crustless sandwich. The crust on the roll induces mastication, which not only aids digestion, but also helps toward good teeth.

The sandwich is one of the convenient ways of serving food in a lunch box. The bread should be at least a day old and should be close-grained. Cut it thin and butter it before spreading the filling. Butter contains a growth-producing element quite necessary to a child's diet.

Generally speaking, it is better to mince meat, or poultry, or fish before using it as a filling. It takes but a moment to run that piece of roast beef through the food chopper. Ham being difficult of digestion is not to be highly recommended for the school lunch-box.

If used at all, save it for the occasional surprise to be mixed prepared with minced egg. The fillings to be recommended are cottage cheese made from sour milk, the commercial cream cheese, or the less rich Neuchâtel cheese. A little finely divided "store" cheese may be used from time to time as a sandwich filling. It should never be served sliced between the bread as it is quite difficult of digestion, especially for children.

Avoid condiments and spices in school lunches. A little onion juice will often give flavor where it seems lacking. Salt, of course, is allowable.

A sweet filling of some kind such as fruit or chopped dates or figs or a fruit paste containing some ground nut meats are desirable. Fruit, such as an orange or an apple, are always acceptable. Cookies, too, and occasionally a single piece of candy afford variety and surprise.

The housewife should endeavor to plan the contents of the lunch box on paper. It is easier than the hit-and-miss way. Waxed paper as well as paper napkins should always be on hand.

Try planning better lunches for the children who must carry luncheon to school. You will see a general all-around improvement in the children.

Minard's Liniment Lumberman's Friend

Publishers' Costs Mounting.

The postmaster-general has notified newspaper publishers that the rate of postage on newspapers sent from the office of publication will be doubled on and after the first of January next. There was a big increase in the rate last January and publishers are protesting rather than diminishing. From the Orilla Packet.

Very Discouraging.

Willie—I should think sister would rather have you call to see her than Mr. Thompson.

Mr. Slowboy—That's nice of you to say so. Here's a quarter.

Willie—Yes, she says Mr. Thompson always musses her hair so.

The skin of the reindeer is so impervious to the cold that anyone clothed in such a dress, with the addition of a robe of the same material, may bear the intensest cold of an Arctic winter's night.

In the far Arctic, summer brings a spell of continual sunshine heat and myriads of insects, and there, for a matter of ten or twelve weeks, bird life is more plentiful than anywhere else on the earth.

King Albert, of the Belgians, is the first monarch to be decorated by the British Government with the Distinguished Flying Cross.

Penurious.

They say Blank is very close.

Close? Why he wouldn't even spend a vacation.

Keep Minard's Liniment in the house

## A Novel Sport Coat



By Marie Belmont.

The sport coat appears in many a different guise, for it has various functions to fulfill. Sometimes it is demanded by the woman who goes in strenuously for athletics, or it may be worn by the woman who watches the players. This rather decorative model belongs to the latter class. It is made of yellow flannel. The fronts, which are extended at the sides to form pockets, are outlined with bands of black crepe. The cuffs are similarly adorned. The collar is high and is enriched with black wool embroidery. This also appears on the sleeves, which are very wide.

## WOULD NOT BE WITHOUT BABY'S OWN TABLETS

Mrs. W. Beesley, Millie Roche, Ont. Tablets for the past eight months and would not be without them. I used them for indigestion and teething and my baby is cutting his teeth without any trouble whatever. I can highly recommend the Tablets to other mothers. What Mrs. Beesley says thousands of other mothers say. The Tablets are a mild but thorough laxative which regulate the bowels and sweeten the stomach, thus driving out constipation and indigestion and making teething easy. They are sold by medicine dealers or by mail at 25 cents a box from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

An invalid in Paris receives by air service from London a daily supply of a special kind of bread.

Patriotic Fund Still Busy.

The Patriotic Fund of Saskatchewan is still busy and during the twelve month period ending May 31st last, the branch of the fund in this province disbursed \$613,350. Post discharge grants amounting to \$90,732 make up the biggest single item in the expenditure.

Perhaps, if there was a woman in the moon instead of a man, it wouldn't get full so often.

## TOO ILL TO GO TO SCHOOL

Mother Tells how Daughter was Made Well by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound

Cobourg, Ont.—"Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound was recommended to me for my daughter. She had trouble every month which left her in a weak and nervous condition. She was too ill to attend school. She has become regular and feels much better since she began taking the Vegetable Compound and attends school regularly. She is gaining steadily and I have no hesitancy in recommending Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and Lydia E. Pinkham's Blood Medicine."—Mrs. Joan Toms, Ball St., Cobourg, Ont.

Staying all day, or sitting in cramped positions, young girls contract deranged conditions, and develop headaches, backache, irregularities, nervousness and bearing-down pains, all of which are symptoms of woman's ills. Every mother who has a daughter suffering from such symptoms should give Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound a fair trial.

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## Was Flat On His Back In Bed A Whole Month, Declares Thompson

"The very first few doses of Tanlac I took made me feel better, and now my stomach seems just like a new one," said Samuel Thompson, 172 Peters ave., Winnipeg, Man.

"I was in very bad shape before I got Tanlac. My health broke down a year ago, and I got to where I was little more than a physical wreck. I was flat on my back in bed for a month, and when I got up the life of me seemed to be gone. I hardly had strength enough to get around, and my appetite was very poor. I soon

commenced suffering from indigestion so bad I just hated the thought of eating, for my food soured and I was kept bloated and in agony all the time. I finally started taking Tanlac, however, and by the time I had finished my second bottle I was eating heartily. I've taken five bottles now and can eat and enjoy anything I want and feel as well as I ever did in my life. I am glad to recommend Tanlac, for I believe it will help anyone suffering from stomach trouble." Tanlac is sold by leading druggists everywhere.

## Canada's Soap Factories

Fourteen Millions Each Year For Soap Is Canada's Bill.

According to the Dominion Bureau of Statistics, Canada spends fourteen millions of dollars a year on soap. Of the 28 plants engaged in this industry, 13 are located in Ontario. During the year reported, over one hundred million pounds of soap was manufactured in Canada, and the quantity sold by the producers was worth over \$13,000,000. In addition there was imported a million dollars' worth of soap made in other countries. Exports amounted to only slightly over \$100,000.

It Testifies for Itself.—Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil needs no testimonial of its powers other than itself. Whoever tries it for coughs or colds, for cuts or contusions, for sprains or burns, for pains in the limbs or body, will know that the medicine proves itself and needs no guarantee. This shows why this Oil is in general use.

## Land Holdings dwindling.

The land holdings of the Hudson's Bay Company are dwindling in Saskatchewan. Originally proprietors of 6,000,000 acres in this province, the company now owns only about half this amount.

France is replacing its old-fashioned dairy machinery with modern apparatus.

Sir A. Conan Doyle once wrote a 12,000-word story without leaving his desk.

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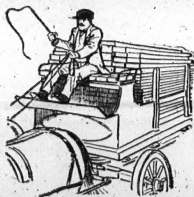
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## DOMINION FINANCES.

In the first five months of the current fiscal year there is a nominal surplus of revenue over expenditures, on consolidated fund account, of \$45,000,000. A year ago the nominal surplus for the same period was \$48,000,000 so that on the face of the figures the position of the federal finances is not alarming. An examination of the details, however, is not so comforting. In revenue, for example, is included \$54,528,000 from income tax, as against \$7,481,000 in the five months of last year, an excess that accounts for the whole surplus revenue. The point is that income tax payments have this year been anticipated to a much greater extent than formerly, coming in as they did in a slump, and as the fiscal year draws to a close there will be no counter balance to expenditure from this source. The revenue producer which is failing the Finance Minister is Customs. Sir Henry Drayton had anticipated a drop of \$30,000,000 in this item, but in five months the shrinkage has been \$41,000,000, and another drop of nearly as large an amount may occur before the year ends. The business profits tax also is a diminishing source of income.

On the expenditure side there are such formidable fixed charges that the scope for economy is small. Interest on debt amounts to about \$145,000,000 annually, and tends upward while pensions absorb about \$35,000,000 of revenue. Two items, however, grow smaller, and in time will disappear, namely, Soldiers' Land Settlement and Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment. The expenditure on these two accounts in the past five months was \$6,976,000, as compared with \$28,361,000 in the corresponding period last year, a substantial reduction.

The net debt of the Dominion was less on August 31st by \$12,831,000 than on the opening of the month, but on the year was higher by \$90,466,000, standing now at \$2,344,949,000. A favorable feature is that of a total funded debt of \$2,531,612,000, four-fifths, or \$2,084,474,000, is payable in Canada, which signifies that the interest accrues to the Canadian people, an excellent thing if it be true that a national debt is a national safety. This year nearly \$25,000,000 of debt payable, in New York, has been redeemed, and the balance remaining due the United States has been cut down to \$111,136,000 a matter of some consequence in view of the premium on American funds. Temporary loans, presumably from banks in Canada, have risen to \$130,935,000, and are \$42,000,000 larger than a year ago.

## GOOD ROADS AND HIGHWAY TRANSPORT.

The origin of roads occurred at the same time as the creation of animal life on land. Beasts and primitive men used paths. Civilization required better roads. Upon the advent of wheels and pulled loads, roads began to improve. The recent invention of the automobile gave a tremendous impetus to good road construction and highway improvement.

A good road is ideal for at least one kind of traffic. A path is sufficient for a few aboriginal men. When it is used by more men and for horse drawn traffic it becomes a bad road. A wagon road is inadequate for automobile or trucks. A good road must be able to withstand more than the existing traffic. The best road is permanently ideal for all kinds of traffic.

Proper surveying, drainage, roadbed, and wearing surface are the fundamentals of good highway construction. Economy demands highways with low grades and few curves. High grades cause waste of energy and needless accidents. Increased mileage and accidents are also results of curves. Only a good road can withstand the ravages of weather and modern transportation. The pitch of a good road is sufficient to drain the water into ditches. Soggy roads in the spring and muddy roads in the summer are results of poor drainage. The culverts and bridges of a good highway are as durable as the rest of the road system. Poor construction here means a disrupting of the whole service while these very necessary details are repaired. The roadbed yields not to traffic. Resilience causes excessive cost per ton mileage. The finished road presents a hard smooth surface. A bumpy road causes maximum wear on the vehicle and the passengers. Highways built to serve traffic with service in view saves money in the long run.

Highway transportation consists of freight, communicative and pleasure. An appropriate highway system is a permanent foundation for the prosperity and happiness of all the people. It gives city advantages to rural districts. It makes country life more profitable and enjoyable. Commercial, educational, and recreational advantages are distributed more equally among all the people.

Good transportation facilities are needed all over this province at the present time. The world is entering a great era of competition in the production and sale of agricultural, mineral and manufactured products. The country that is best equipped is best prepared to successfully produce and sell. Should Alberta lag behind?

William Wrigley, of chewing gum fame, spends ten thousand dollars every day for advertising. He must get results or he would not have the money to spend. Other advertisers must also get results from their expenditures and some of them are enormous. For instance, pick up the Saturday Evening Post and it is never lacking for ads. Its color page sells every week for \$8,500 and the other cover pages bring the same figure, and black and white pages sell at \$7,000 per issue. The centrespread page brings in \$17,000.

## VIKING

The second annual school fair was held here on Thursday, September 25, and was a huge success. A great deal of preparatory work had been done by the secretary, Mr. H. L. Fogger, principal of the Viking school, upon whom fell much of the executive work. The teachers of the entire district worked very hard as well as many of the parents.

Over 1000 Exhibits. The day dawned bright and fair and early in the forenoon teams began to come into town, decorated with all the products of the country side. By 11 o'clock over 1000 exhibits had been put into place by the hard-working committees, and all was ready for the judges. The judges came from the Vermilion school of Agriculture and gave splendid satisfaction. They worked hard that the rooms might be opened in record time.

Some Parade. At 12:30 on a large street parade was formed up, with the Viking Band at the head. The Viking grade schools marched behind the band carrying flags and banners. Special mention should be made of the decorated rig driven by Harry Robinson which won a special prize. Also of the decorated pony driven by Buzz Jones, also winning a special. Next came Lornedale School in five decorated cars, which easily won first prize for the best country school in the parade. Following this came the Viking High School in a very pretty float decorated in the school colors. This float was well done and next year will be a real contest. Decorated autos came next. Mildred Dadds winning first, and Bruce Collier second. Decorated bicycles were well done, giving June Noel first and Royce Gravert second, both Viking pupils. Then came Rutherglen, the school winning third prize in the parade. Cromer followed, with second prize, and Glenlea taking fourth. Lake Alko made a good showing and next year will be a real contender. There were several decorated teams in the parade. The prize winning live stock formed the rear of the line of march over a quarter of a mile long. The main streets of the town were paraded. The parade was a big feature of the fair and next year will be looked forward to with more interest than ever.

Bruce Collier and Mildred Dadds

Win Oratorical Contest. Following the parade, an open air oratorical contest was held at the school, the speeches being delivered from the balcony of the school. Four boys and four girls took part. This showed that this district will not lack future platform artists. Bruce Collier, Egedahl and Steinmetz were judges and had no easy job. However, their decisions were popular. Girls, first, Mildred Dadds, second, Olga Peterson. The boys, Bruce Collier first, and Sydney Ross, second. This feature should be encouraged in the schools.

Hon. Chas Stewart Opens Fair. Following this contest, the Hon. Chas. Stewart made an address, and officially opened the fair. He praised the schools for the fine exhibits and turn out, and stated that this was the best fair he had attended this year. He spoke of the value of the parade also of the speeches. He was listened to with much interest as he told of the work done for agriculture in this province.

Mr. Porter, Efficient Chairman. Secretary Porter acted as chairman for this part of the program and congratulated the schools on the fine showing, also thanking the many citizens of Viking for very generous donations to the prize fund.

Lots of Sports. After the speeches, a fine list of sports was run off, much to the enjoyment of the hundreds of people gathered together. Mr. C. G. Purvis, manager of this part of the programme, with great efficiency. He was assisted by Messrs. Sparling McAtthey, Cooke, and Miss Brannen.

Rest Room and Hot Drinks. An additional feature of the school fair this year was a rest room and warm drinks given free to all. Mrs. Porter, convenor, with Mrs. Cooke and Mrs. Sparling, formed a committee of ladies from the Women's Institute who worked hard for hours to feed the hungry multitude. Tea and coffee were donated by Chas. W. Sanborn. In the afternoon Mrs. W. J. Jones had charge of the workers, and to these ladies is much credit due for a most helpful part of the school fair. The executive wish to extend thanks, thru this paper, for their strenuous efforts, and assure them that the work was appreciated.

Praise by Judges. The judges were very complimentary of the management, and stated that this was the best school fair of this part of the province this year. As this is the last fair on the list, that is saying something.

Exhibits Fine. Several of the exhibits are worthy of special mention. In fact everything was good. Vegetables were competed for by about 50 entries in every class. Grain exhibits were very good. The cooking was exceptionally well done. In woodwork the judges said that it beat out any similar work in any fair they had conducted, including all previous years. Map work was well above the average. A very large exhibit of poultry made the rooms sound like a real fair. Over 50 exhibits of chickens were shown.

The Fair an Educational Feature. The Fair proved to be a real education, bringing parents and teachers and pupils together. It is here to stay. Already plans are being formulated to make next year's fair a still better one, and it is anticipated that the schools that did not take part this year will join.

The executive acknowledges with thanks 5 dollars from Mrs. Benwell, and \$10.00 in draying from Mr. Frank Dornan.

Viking Leads. The parade, oratorical contest, and rest room with warm drinks, were three features that the judges commended very highly. In fact they said that no other school fair out of 40 that they had attended had these features.

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THANKSGIVING DAY, NOV. 7th.

Legislation passed at the last session of parliament provides that the Monday of the week in which the anniversary of Armistice Day falls shall be Thanksgiving Day. Thus Thanksgiving Day this year will be Monday, November 7th.

**NEW BRAND LAW IN EFFECT.**

"Any shipper failing to furnish to a stock inspector a correct list of brands of cattle being shipped by him shall be liable to a penalty of \$25 per head for each animal wrongly described." This clause was included in the Stock Inspection Act at the 1920 session of the legislature and Hon. George Hoadley now states that it is his intention to have the legislation enforced. Heretofore, the stock inspectors have had considerable leeway in using their own discretion in the enforcement of the act, as it was felt that considerable hardship would be worked. The minister states now however he means to put in force all existing legislation for the protection of the stockmen, and that at the coming session he intends to ask for legislation that will tighten up all loopholes whereby cattle may be easily stolen and marketed.

This regulation puts on the shipper, whether owner or drover, the onus of proving ownership of the animals he ships. In case of the owner shipping there will be no hardship as he should be able to prove where he obtained his cattle, and in the case of the drover, it will compel him to be careful as to the ownership of cattle he is shipping. Stock coming to the stock yards of the province and wrongly described, will render the shipper liable to the \$25 penalty and it is understood that since the order of the minister that clause be put into strict effect, several infractions have been found, and cattle are being held at the stock yards pending prosecution. As the shipper will naturally have to pay stock yard costs during the time they are being held, there will doubtless be considerable dissatisfaction.

Mr. Hoadley takes the stand that as the government is accepting the brand fees he should protect the stockmen, and it is well known that each year hundreds of stolen cattle are sold out of the province. Most of this occurs however through direct shipments that do not go thru the Calgary or Edmonton yards and when the matter was brought up in the Agriculture committee of the legislature at the last session, one of the points brought out was that the province could not put an inspector in the yards of other provinces, such as at the Moose Jaw and Winnipeg yards that would spot these cattle, and that the matter was one for Dominion regulation. They held that the province could only regulate inside provincial borders.—Edmonton Bulletin.

**SAVE THE PEOPLE.**

The new minister of health in the Alberta government is on the right track in endeavoring to improve the province's life and death figures. In an address in Calgary a few days ago he called attention to the too-high infant mortality rate and announced it as the policy of his department to do some educational work that will have the effect of urging upon the public the seriousness and needlessness of this annual loss. It would be better, he very rightly claimed, to conserve the life we have here now than to keep on filling up unnecessary vacancies by immigration.

This, of course, is not a new matter. Attention has been called to it many times before, but it is the sort of thing that must be driven into the public consciousness by repeated efforts before the warning will take effect. A fresh pronouncement from a new head is entirely in order and welcome.

Alberta had last year an infant death rate of ninety-three per thousand. The world's rate is about 140 per thousand. Australia and New Zealand have the lowest losses, showing only 59.91 and 48.41 per thousand respectively. Why there should be such a range between either of these overseas dominions and any part of Canada, or why this country should so nearly approach the world's figures, does not appear. If there is a country the world over that should have a good record in a life-preserving way, it is Alberta for the essential conditions of health and vigor are here at their fullest.

Hon. R. G. Reid and his staff will do an inestimable service to their country, present and to come, if by education, legislation, and continued watchfulness they are able to bring down this excessive loss of life and in other ways to promote the general health interests of the people.

**THE-CONTAGION OF IT**

Other things spread from man to man and house to house by infection besides smallpox, diphtheria, measles and scarlet fever. Pessimism, gloom, hopelessness, despair, travel on their dreary ways after much the same fashion. When half the men you meet tell you the world is on the down grade and will soon skid around some fatal curve and go to smash, that business is never going to pick up and set the wheels of industry whirling again, that morality we are sliding back into night and darkness, you are quite tempted to think that they may be right, and catching the germ of this painful disease, go spreading it around among your friends.

True it is that we must pay the price of the worst war in history. We must face many a dark and threatening day. But just as men and nations have pulled themselves together after times of disaster and seeming ruin, so we are going to again. Blessed be the man who will not surrender his faith either in God or his human kind who will spread hope and cheer and confidence among his fellows, overcoming by the infection of his nobler spirit the pessimism of the narrow visioned and the faithless.

**PREVENT FIRES**

I take the liberty of suggesting to you in the interests of the public generally, that you draw the attention of your readers to the unusual conditions which exist at the present time in many sections of the Province with respect to the fire hazard.

As you are aware we have had a number of dry seasons in that part of the Province lying south of the Athabasca River, with the result that over great areas there is little or no reserve moisture in the soil, and in those sections where there is vegetable mould over the clay, such soil is so dry at the present time that fire will smoulder and consume the vegetable matter, with the result that as soon as vegetation is sufficiently dry it will be ignited by the fire burning in the over unlimited areas.

In many sections the stubble in the grain fields is already inflammable and grain has been destroyed, also buildings.

It is important that every possible precaution should be taken to prevent the spread of fires kindled in the open, in fact no fire should be kindled in the open at the present time unless where it is absolutely necessary, and no match, cigar, or cigarette stub, should be thrown away until completely extinguished.

—Benj Lawton, Chief Fire Guardian

**Wants, Notice Strays, Etc.**

LOST—4 spring calves, 1 clear red, 1 red with white on head (steer), 1 roan with white head, 1 strawberry roan. Half circle cut out of each ear. —N. L. Fuder, S. W. 13-46-10, Irma.

LOST—on road northeast of Irma, red carriage rug. Finder kindly notify Mrs. H. Wilson, N. W. 7-46-8, Irma.

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**Tax Sale**

SALE OF LANDS IN THE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF KINSELLA No. 424.

Notice is hereby given that certain lands in the Municipal District of Kinsella No. 424 will be offered for sale for arrears of taxes and costs at 1 P. M., at the School house at Kinsella, on Saturday, October 29th, 1921. A printed list of these lands may be obtained from the Secretary-Treasurer of the Municipality.

Unless arrears of taxes and costs be sooner paid the Treasurer will proceed to sell the lands at the time and place mentioned.

Dated at Kinsella, the 5th day of September, 1921.

24utf BLAKE H. GREEN, Treasurer.

**Tax Sale**

SALE OF LANDS IN THE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF BATTLE RIVER No. 423 FOR ARREARS OF TAXES.

Notice is hereby given that certain lands in the Municipal District of Battle River No. 423 will be offered for sale for arrears of taxes and costs in the Village of Irma, on the Third Day of December, 1921, at the hour of Two o'clock, P. M.

A full list of the said lands may be seen in the Irma Times issued on the 16th day of September, 1921.

Dated at Irma this 15th day of September, 1921.

24fc R. J. TATE, Treasurer.

**JUDICIAL SALE OF FARM PROPERTY**

Pursuant to the Judgement and Final Order for Sale, there will be offered for sale by John William Stuart, Auctioneer, at the Post Office in the Village of Irma in the Province of Alberta, on TUESDAY, the 18th day of October, 1921, at the hour of two o'clock in the afternoon:

The North East quarter Section two (2) in Township forty-four (44) Range nine (9) West of the Fourth Meridian as described in Certificate of Title No. 144 M 37 and with reservations and exceptions as in the said Certificate of Title.

The Vendor is informed that the said lands are situated about fourteen miles from Irma on the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway and about ten miles from Hardisty on the Canadian Pacific Railway at which points there are elevators and Post-Offices.

That the soil is sandy loam with sandy sub-soil, about eighty acres have been cultivated but not cropped in 1921. The land is fenced with two and three wires in fair repair. There is a small dwelling house on the lands.

The property will be sold subject to a reserve bid and to the taxes for 1921.

The terms of payment are ten per cent cash on the day of sale and balance in sixty days thereafter, without interest or the purchaser shall pay ten per cent of the purchase price cash, execute a mortgage of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) in favor of the Plaintiff for three years at ten per cent in equal annual payments on the 1st day of November, 1922, 1923 and 1924 and the balance without interest in sixty days after the date of sale.

In other respects the standing conditions of sale of the Supreme Court of Alberta as approved, by the Master will govern.

Further particulars may be had from Humphrey P. May, Barrister at Wainwright, Alberta, Solicitor for the Vendor.

Approved: H. C. T., L. J. "R. P. Wallace," C. C. 26-3

**TENDERS WANTED**

Tenders are invited for the building of a frame barn 28ft by 30ft on our site within the Village of Irma. Plans and specifications may be seen at the office of the Secretary-Treasurer, to whom sealed Tenders, are to be delivered not later than Oct. 12th, 1921.

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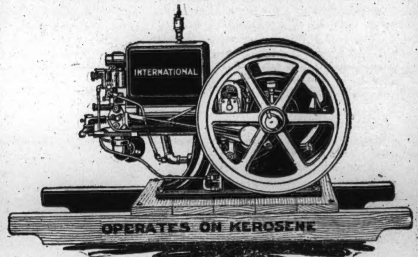
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## Open Portals: May They Never Close

At a time when the great question of world disarmament is engaging the attention of the leading nations, and on the eve of the assembling of the Washington Conference to deal with the subject, it was most appropriate that some tangible recognition of the world's greatest experiment, in disarmament, should be made. This was done on September 21st, on the Canada-United States border between the Province of British Columbia and the State of Washington where the gates of the great International Peace Arch, erected at a cost of \$400,000, were thrown open at an impressive ceremony.

This magnificent Peace Arch commemorates one hundred years of peace between Great Britain and the United States. Following the war of 1812, a peace treaty was signed at Ghent, Belgium, on December 24, 1814, and by the provisions of that treaty it was provided that neither Great Britain nor the United States should erect fortifications along the boundary line between their respective territories, nor would either country maintain vessels of war on the Great Lakes. In other words, it was mutually agreed that along the whole 3,000 mile boundary neither country would make or maintain any warlike preparation against the other. Both countries disarmed absolutely so far as they were concerned.

For over one hundred years that pact has been kept unbroken despite the many complex questions and differences of opinion which have at various times arisen between the two nations, as it is inevitable they should develop where there is so much in common and where the interests of one is bound on occasion to clash with the interests of the other.

But if the two wealthiest and most powerful nations in the world, both financially and commercially aggressive, could wholly discontinue hostilities as the relations of one to the other were concerned, surely it is within the field of practical international politics for all the great nations to follow their example, and thereby not only relieve their people from the crushing burden of armaments but remove the greatest of all incentives to war, namely, active preparation for it, leading to a rivalry in warlike preparation which cannot but finally end in putting these great machines of destruction to the use for which they were built.

Imagine what the cost to Great Britain, Canada and the United States would have been during the past one hundred years if each had maintained great fortifications along a 3,000 mile boundary line, rival fleets of war on the Great Lakes and Atlantic and Pacific coasts, and standing armies ready to fly at each other's throats! And had such preparations for war been made, is it not merely possible but probable that on occasions in the past when relations became delicate and somewhat strained, recourse would have been had to the rifle and cannon rather than to the peaceful means of arbitration? And what has been possible on the North American continent is surely at least worth a fair trial in Europe and between all countries.

The ceremonies attendant on the opening of this International Peace Arch were not only impressive, but provide a sound guarantee of a maintenance of these friendly relations under which both countries have prospered. The longer the peace remains unbroken, the less likelihood there is that it ever will be broken. That old treaty of Ghent still stands, but it has been buttressed in these later years by a second treaty between the two countries which provides that all causes of dispute between them shall be submitted to an impartial court of arbitration.

At the opening ceremony the United States flag on the Arch was raised by a British Columbia girl and the British flag by an American girl. Emphasizing the common ancestry of both people, the ceremony took place on the same date as that on which the Pilgrim Fathers went on board the Mayflower. The Arch itself carries across the plants on the United States side the words, "Children of a Common Mother," and on the Canadian side, "Brethren Dwelling Together in Unity." The doors of the great Arch bear the inscriptions: "Open for One Hundred Years; May These Doors Never Be Closed."

This wish will find an echo in the hearts of all British and United States subjects, coupled with an ardent desire that disarmament may not be confined to these two great English-speaking nations, but that it may be extended to include all nations; races and languages until open portals stand on all international boundaries testifying to the real brotherhood of man.

## World's Smallest Railway

Independent Little Line in Highlands of Cumberland.

Canadian visitors to Europe, on landing at Liverpool or Southampton, are at once struck by the small size of British locomotives as compared with the mighty machines in American railway operation. Their astonishment, not unmixed with amusement, is, however, soon supplemented by admiration for the excellent running made on the English main lines, but if one's itinerary takes him into the lakelands and highlands of Cumberland he will there find an independent little line which is said to be "the smallest public railway in the world." This line is known as the Eskdale

Railway, and is seven and one-eighth miles in length. The rail gauge is one of fifteen inches only. It is leased to a London company—Narrow Gauge Railways, Limited. The passenger service is carried on by mid-gauge express engines, built to a scale of one-quarter the size of ordinary British main line locomotives, but in other respects exactly the same in construction and appearance.

**Ontario Newspapers Merge.**  
Toronto.—The Chatsworth (Ont.) News, it is announced, has ceased publication and will be merged with the Owen Sound Sun-Times. The News was established 36 years ago by the late George Blyth. High cost of publishing is given as the reason for the paper being discontinued.

## Swiss Have No Language

Public Documents Are Printed in French and German.

The official languages of Switzerland are French, Italian and German, but Switzerland has no language of its own. A majority of the people speak German, while the others use French and Italian, varying as a rule according to the proximity of the people to each country whose language they speak. Public documents and notices are printed in the French and German languages. In the Swiss national parliament the members make their speeches either in French or German, the members being as familiar with one language as the other. Statements from the president of Switzerland are furnished to the newspapers in both languages.

**Bing**—I heard that your old man died of hard drink.  
**Ding**—Yes, poor fellow. A cake of ice dropped on his head.—Nebraska Awgwan.

## Cramps! Cramps! Cramps! How To Stop Them Quick

When you have cramps, it is a mighty quick relief that you want. Good Old "Nervine" is sure as death to relieve cramps in a hurry. Just a few drops in sweetened water and the pain is gone. Buy a bottle of trusty old Nervine to-day and keep it handy. Nervine is a common household necessity, and it is so useful in case of sudden illness at night, or when cramps, nausea, diarrhoea, vomiting or the like occurs. Sold everywhere in large 35 cent bottles.

## Would Capitalize B. C. Scenic Beauties

Capitalizing the scenic beauties of British Columbia by building government hotels at attractive points in the province, improvement of roads and motor facilities, and opening of government tourist bureaus in the most important cities at which tourists could buy strip tickets to points of interest and thus be kept within the province, is being considered by the provincial government, following representations made by prominent citizens.

A pitchfork with removable tines which can be replaced if broken has been patented by a Canadian inventor.

**Could Hardly Live for Asthma.**  
Writes one man who after years of suffering has found complete relief through Dr. J. D. Kellogg's Asthma Remedy. Now he knows how needlessly has been his suffering. This remedy gives sure help to all afflicted with asthma. Inhaled as smoke or vapor it brings the help so long needed. Every dealer has it or can get it for you from this wholesaler.

The celebration of May-day is a relic of Druidism.

**Mothers Value This Oil**—Mothers who know how suddenly a crop may seize their children and how necessary prompt action is in applying relief, always keep at hand a supply of Dr. J. D. Kellogg's Oil, because experience has taught them that this is an excellent preparation for the treatment of this ailment. And they are wiser, for its various uses render it a valuable medicine.

In Japan lily bulbs are largely used in lieu of potatoes.



**Beauty of Skin Enhanced by Cuticura**  
When used for every-day toilet purposes Cuticura keeps the complexion fresh and clear, hands soft and white and hair lustrous and glossy. The Soap to cleanse and purify the skin, the Ointment to soothe and heal the skin, and the Talcum to powder and perfume it.  
Sole U.S. Distributors: J. C. Ayer & Co., Lowell, Mass. Sold throughout the Dominion. Canadian Depot: The Canadian Dispensary, Ltd., 24 St. Paul St., W., Montreal. Cuticura Soap always without name.

**An Autoist's Recipe.**  
The following recipe, which if observed would reduce to a minimum the number of accidents, is published in the automobile column of a New York paper: A full measure of caution for the rights and safety of others. Three tablespoons of look straight ahead, to the left, to the right. Steer, brake, observe and wary.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

At the Yarmouth Y. M. C. A. Boys Camp held at Trickett Falls, August 1 found Minard's Liniment most beneficial for sunburn, an immediate relief for colic and toothache.  
Alfred Stokes, General Sec'y.

**The Price.**  
Willie's Mother.—Willie, will you keep quiet for a bit?  
Willie.—I will for two bits, mother.

**Separation, But No Alimony**  
A peaceful, quiet separation, no damage done, everybody happy again—that's the situation when you divorce your corns. Try Putnam's Corn Extractor. Acts like magic, no pain, no failure, restores every time. Just a substitute for "Putnam's," 25c everywhere.

**Big Lumber Cut.**  
The Secretary of the Mountain Lumber Association states that the production of the Mountain Mills for the first six months in 1921 was approximately one hundred million feet, and the shipments over that period roughly totalled seventy-five million feet.

## PAINFUL NEURALGIA TORTURING SCIATICA

Both Come From the Same Cause—Thin, Watery Blood.

Most people think of neuralgia as a pain in the head or face, but neuralgia may affect any nerve in the body. Different names are given to it when it affects certain nerves. Thus neuralgia of the sciatic nerve is called sciatica, but the character of the pain and the nature of the disease are the same. The pain in neuralgia is caused by starved nerves. The blood which carries nourishment to the nerves first becomes thin and impure and no longer does so, and the pain you feel is the cry of the nerves for the natural food. You may ease the pains of neuralgia with hot applications, but real relief from the trouble comes by enriching and purifying the blood. For this purpose Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are strongly recommended. These pills make new, rich blood and thus act as a most effective nerve tonic. If you are suffering from this most dreaded of troubles, or any form of nerve trouble, give these pills a fair trial, and note the ease and comfort that follows their use.

You can get Dr. Williams' Pink Pills from any medicine dealer, or by mail at 50 cents a box or six boxes for \$2.50 from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

**Extend Time for Paying Taxes.**  
Winning—Premier T. C. Norris informed a delegation representing boards of trade and business organizations in Manitoba that the Provincial Government will grant an extension of time for filing returns and making payments of the provincial net profits tax.

The number of women employed in shops and factories in the Argentine Republic has doubled within the past five years.

Fifty million citizens are made healthier, wealthier, happier and better by the automobile.

## Elevators in Manitoba

Expected That System Will Handle Five Million Bushels of Grain This Season.

One hundred government elevators with an average capacity of about twenty-five thousand bushels each, an aggregate capacity of 2,500,000 bushels, are taking care of their share of this year's crop in Manitoba. These elevators usually fill up about twice at least during the season, so that they will actually handle approximately five million bushels of Manitoba grain this fall. Practically all of this will be wheat.

In all, there are 702 country elevators in Manitoba with a total capacity of 22,926,000 bushels, besides five large interior storage elevators capable of holding an additional 2,200,000 bushels of grain.

A pessimist is one who is always expecting bad luck and is surprised when it comes.

## WHEN WOMEN SUFFER

Look for weakness or ill-health. See if there is any sick headache, restlessness and the "blues." The symptoms indicate that you need the gentle assistance of Dr. Hamilton's Pills. This soothing medicine is a great friend to womanhood. They are a wonderful relief to constipation, they clear up sick headache, remove wastes and poisons from the system. Girls and women can use Dr. Hamilton's Pills with great success. Thousands use no other medicine and rely solely upon Dr. Hamilton's Pills to regulate the system—and keep it in smooth running order. 25c all dealers or The Catarthozone Co., Montreal.

## Furniture From Paper.

Tables, chairs and other articles of furniture are now made from compressed paper so colored and polished as to give the appearance of the finest woods.

No child should be allowed to suffer an hour from worms which prompt relief can be got in a simple but strong remedy—Mother Graves' Worm Extremator.

## Port of Vancouver.

An indication of the growing importance of this port in Pacific coast shipping is contained in the announcement that during the past eight years the tonnage of the vessels using the port of Vancouver has increased from 4,400,000 to 9,200,000, and the number of regular foreign bound steamship lines from 5 to 26.

Miller's Worm Powders not only make the infantile system untenable for worms, but by their action on the stomach, liver and bowels they correct such troubles as lack of appetite, biliousness and other internal disorders that the worms create. Children thrive upon them and no matter what condition their worm-infested stomach may be in, they will show improvement as soon as the treatment begins.

**Fifty-fifty.**  
Two girls unfamiliar with baseball were watching the local nine play a visiting team last Saturday.  
"Isn't that fine?" remarked one girl.  
"We have a man on every base."  
"Why, that's nothing," said the other, "so have they."

A town cannot grow without business. By helping your local dealer you assist the community.

Ask for Minard's and take no other.

The stick insect of Borneo is the largest insect known. Specimens 13 inches in length have been captured. The insect exactly resembles a piece of rough stick.

## Constipation Vanishes Forever

**Prompt—Permanent—Relief**  
CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS  
suffer fall. Purely vegetable—act surely but gently on the liver.  
Stop after-dinner distress—correct indigestion; improve the complexion—brighten the eyes.  
Small Pill—Small Dose—Small Price

## Manitoba Good Roads

Two Million Dollars Expended on Work This Season.

Work costing \$2,000,000 will have been done on roads in Manitoba this year by the time the freezeup comes, according to A. McGillivray, highways commissioner for the province. Practically all over the province graveling has been going on and many miles of grade will have been completed by the end of the season.

## Helped Soldiers' Dependents.

The Saskatchewan Branch of the Canadian Patriotic Fund distributed \$613,350 during the twelve months ending July 31st.

What is said to be the world's greatest radio plant is now under construction near Melun, France.

The sparkle to sonic wall papers comes from button factory sweepings.

## MONEY ORDERS

Pay your out of town accounts by Dominion Express Money Orders. Five dollars each, three cents.

## Cook's Cotton Root Compound

A safe, reliable, regulating medicine. Both in doses of 15 grains—No. 1, 511; No. 2, 25; No. 3, 15 per box. Sold by all druggists, or sent on receipt of price. Free pamphlet. Address: THE COOK MEDICINE CO., TORONTO, Ont. (Solely Wholesale).

**BOOK ON DOG DISEASES**  
and How to Feed and Mailed Free to any Address by  
H. C. ASHBY, VETERINARIAN, CO., INC., 118 West 34th Street, New York, U.S.A.

## ASPIRIN

Only "Bayer" is Genuine



Warning! Unless you see the name "Bayer" on package or on tablets you are not getting Aspirin at all. Take Aspirin only as told in the Bayer package for Colds, Headache, Neuralgia, Rheumatism, Earache, Toothache, Lumbago and for Pain. Then you will be following the directions and dosage worked out by physicians during twenty-one years and proved safe by millions. Handy tin boxes of twelve Bayer Tablets of Aspirin cost few cents. Druggists also sell larger packages. Made in Canada. Aspirin is the trade mark (registered in Canada), of Bayer Manufacture of Monacoelester of Salicylicacid.

## STANFIELD'S Unshrinkable UNDERWEAR

If you are out all day in the cold, keep warm by wearing

**STANFIELD'S "Red Label" Underwear**

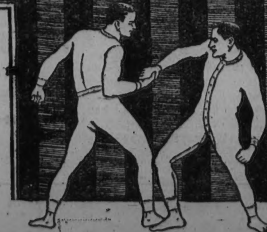
It is heavy wool underwear—thick enough to protect you against the piercing cold—easy and comfortable because so carefully made.

We make all weights suitable for men, women and children.

Send for free sample book.

**STANFIELD'S LIMITED**

TRURO, N.S.



"Stands Strenuous Wear"

## CLARK'S Canadian Boiled Dinner

And Other Good Things

## For Tired Housewives

—No potatoes to peel—no vegetables to prepare—no long cooking over a hot stove—simply heat and serve

## CLARK'S CANADIAN BOILED DINNER

a complete and delicious dish well cooked and well seasoned in the great Clark Kitchens—Like all "CLARK GOOD THINGS" the cost is modest. Good at any time—essential for the unexpected guest. Keep an assortment of "Clark Good Things" on hand.

Made from Canadian Farm Produce and sold everywhere in Canada.



CLARK'S CANADIAN BOILED DINNER



## Work Of Experimenters In Evolving New Types Of Grain and Vegetables

To produce a wheat that will take fewer days to mature, or a wheat that will give more bushels to the acre, has long been the ambition of workers in the field of scientific agriculture, says the Calgary Herald.

The farmers of America are at present carefully watching the showing made by a new wheat—the Kansas variety—which first came into prominence at the Kansas experimental station in 1915. It is claimed for this wheat that its general average increase over the varieties commonly grown is from three to five bushels per acre.

The New York Herald recently referred to the experimenters in wheat, to Pringle of Vermont, who discovered the Defiance, and to the work of Jones of New York, whose wheat was largely grown for years in the New England States, and to Luther Burbank. The Herald speaks of the achievements of the Saunders family, originally of London, Ontario, and later of Ottawa, and tells the story of Marquis wheat as follows:

"The Saunders, father and sons, began their work of developing a wheat which could be grown successfully in Western Canada and along the northern belt of the United States a quarter of a century ago. For their purpose they searched for wheat in all parts of America, Australia, Japan, in the colder districts of Russia, and at different altitudes in the Himalayas. In 1903 they finally obtained a few grains from a single head of wheat which they planted in a small patch on the Canadian experimental ground. The yield of this planting was a pound of grain in 1918 came a crop of 300,000 bushels of Marquis wheat with a market price of \$600,000.00. Canada estimates that the Saunders by their discovery of Marquis wheat, increased the value of the Canadian wheat crop \$15,000,000 a year."

It speaks also of the patient experimenting of Dr. Seager Wheeler, of Rosthern, Saskatchewan, one of the first of the workers in this line to be given recognition by a Canadian university.

It is not only in connection with wheat that Canada is constantly discovering new possibilities. Professor Bedford of Manitoba, in the course of his active life, has introduced many vegetables, the growing of which in the western climate was not regarded as possible years ago. R. J. C. Stead tells us what good crops of corn are being grown this year in Southern Alberta. Iowa was at one time regarded as too far north to make a success of corn.

The productive capacity of the soil of Canada in combination with the Canadian climate has not yet been fathomed. The work of Saunders and Wheeler and Bedford is being carried on in many quarters, and the results of it, when put into practical application upon the broad acres of the west, will add immeasurably to the wealth of the Dominion.

### World Will Have Sufficient Wheat

Twenty Countries Will Harvest Over Two Billion Bushels.

No cause for serious alarm is apparent at present over the prospect of the world's wheat supply, although the situation is not so satisfactory as was expected during the first part of the current season, according to the Department of Agriculture. Twenty countries which produce approximately 68 per cent of the known wheat crop of the world, will harvest 2,461,430,000 bushels this year. That is 75,287,000 bushels more than was harvested in those countries last year.

**Receding Tides Reveal Gold Quartz.**  
Receding tides in the Gulf of Alaska on Tomogaiun Arm revealed a five-foot vein of gold quartz assaying about \$100 to the ton, according to reports received at Anchorage, Alaska. Rocks projecting over the sea were said to have disclosed several other rich veins.

**Easily Pleased.**  
Judge—Have you anything to say before sentence is pronounced upon you?

Prisoner—No, your honor, except that it takes very little to please me.

By making your purchases from your home merchant you are contributing direct to the prosperity of the community in which you live.

Breathing merely purifies the blood, exercise merely circulates it, but food is what really makes the blood.

### Marketing Hog Products

Encouraging Prospects Both for Home and Export Trade.

The year before the war, or in the fiscal year 1913-14, Canada exported, mainly to Great Britain, 23,859,754 lbs. of bacon, 1,890,182 lbs. of ham, and 1,811,204 lbs. of pork. For the fiscal year, 1920-21, she exported 98,233,800 lbs. of bacon and ham, and 3,125,700 lbs. of pork, a total of 101,359,500 lbs. against 27,661,140 lbs. in 1913-14. This increase was below that of the abnormal year of 1919-20, when because of exhausted stocks abroad 230,242,900 lbs. of hog products were exported. These figures are taken from the third and revised edition of "Swine Husbandry in Canada," a bulletin treating of the hog in all its aspects recently issued by the Dominion Department of Agriculture. It is interesting to note that domestic consumption has increased to such an extent that less and less can be spared for export, and the danger is great that we may lose our footing on the British market in consequence. With a maintenance of the supply, however, Canadian hog-raisers may look forward to the future with confidence. One thing of great importance is that if the market is to be maintained, hogs must be properly finished. According to reports from the leading packing companies, the proportion of unfinished hogs is much too large, running as high as 15 per cent in Central and Western Ontario and 20 per cent in Eastern Ontario and Quebec. To the west, or provinces, proportionately fewer light hogs are marketed, the tendency being to run to the other extreme. Hogs that exceed 220 lbs. live weight are not suitable for the production of bacon.

The breeds of swine most favored in Canada are shown in the registration of pedigrees with the Dominion Swine Breeders' Association. For instance, 1919-20, the number recorded were 5,578 Yorkshires, 3,722 Berkshires, 2,325 Duroc-Jerseys, 1,877 Chester Whites, 1,009 Poland-Chinas, 727 Tamworths and 258 Hampshire. The characteristics of each of these breeds are described in the bulletin referred to, together with information as to breeding, rearing, feeding and housing, supplemented by illustrations. Pork production on the prairies receives particular attention. The Veterinary Director-General contributes a paper on hog cholera, with quotations from the law in regard thereto, and the Chief Meat Inspector one on tuberculosis, its causes and symptoms.

### B. C. Gold Production

Anticipated Production for 1921 Will Be Greater Than That of 1920.

It is anticipated that the gold production of British Columbia for 1921 will be considerably greater than that of 1920 if the receipts up to date of the Dominion Assay Office here can be taken as a criterion. The total receipts of bullion this year so far aggregate in value \$1,275,000, as against \$1,073,000 for the same period last year. The improvement is attributed to the re-opening of the Rossland Mines by the Consolidated Mining and Smelting Co., and the more satisfactory work of the latter under which the placed mining areas are being worked.

### Indians Settle on Land.

A statement made by the Department of Indian affairs shows that of 350 applications by Indian returned soldiers, 180 have secured advances from the Soldiers' Settlement Branch of the Department, and an amount of \$325,000 has been invested on their account. Of this, 45 per cent went to the actual acquisition of land, and 40 per cent to the purchase of buildings, livestock and machinery.

### Good Yield of Wheat.

W. L. Crandall, of Pasqua, Saskatchewan, completed threshing operations August 30th and reported that from 98 acres of summer-fallow wheat he had threshed on an average of 25 bushels to the acre, all grading number 1 hard. From 55 acres of stubble wheat he had threshed 16 bushels to the acre.

### Wool From Alberta.

Sixty-seven carloads of wool, as compared with sixty-five last year have been moved from Southern Alberta to the central grading station at Toronto this season. One hundred thousand pounds of Alberta wool have already been sold.

Give your local merchants a chance. Buy at home.

### Being of Service To the Community

The C.P.R. President Talks Thrift to Boy Scouts.

Thrift is a word which is said to have come into the English language over a thousand years ago from the Scandinavian. It is the noun of which "thrifty" is the verb, and suggests that success and saving go together. The very word THRIFT is a good word to look at. It is an unassuming word and at once makes one think of sturdy simplicity, the kind of quality which one associates with a Boy Scout. How different in appearance is its opposite EXTRAVAGANCE, a word which at once suggests an ostentatious irregular character, boastful as well as wasteful.

Now thrift means saving money and miserliness means saving money, but they are of the same kind of saving. The thrifty person saves money for a purpose, the miser saves money for itself. The thrifty person saves so as to have a bank account against bad times. His thrift has for its object independence and security, and is therefore in accordance with the Scout law. But miserliness is purely selfish, whereas a Scout is told to be thrifty so that among other things he may have money with which to help others when they need it. The Scout must be careful not to carry his thrift too far. You usually find that the thrifty person has a bank account, whereas the miser keeps his money in a stocking where it can do no good because it is not kept in circulation. The thrifty person puts his money where it draws interest, thus adding to what he already has got, and also performing a service to the community.

By letting the community have the use of his money while it is not spending it, the thrifty person does a service to the community for which the community is willing to pay interest. The community, however, has just as little use for the miser as for the spendthrift.—E. W. Beatty, in "Scouting," Regina.

### World's Largest Flower

Is Four Feet in Diameter and Weighs 22½ Pounds.

The world's biggest flower is a passion flower in the island of Sumatra and is known to botanists as Rafflesia Arnoldii. It was first discovered by a Dr. Arnold, in whose honor it was named. Other species also occur in Java and the Philippines. A party of travellers found one of these flowers about four feet in diameter, and not having any scale made a basket, using certain packed boxes to offset the flower. These were marked, and when weighed at their destination found to be 22½ pounds. This flower emits such a powerful stench that its presence is known long before it can be seen.

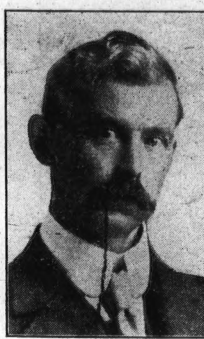
### British Farmers Coming.

A five-thousand acre tract of land near Telkwa, British Columbia, on the main line of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway, is being cleared ready for occupation and cultivation next spring. The land has been sold through the Rattenbury Land Company to a syndicate of British farmers, who will arrive this fall, well supplied with capital to begin farming on this section.

### Turned Down.

Miss Withers—You advertised for a cleaning model, correct? 36.  
Manager—The 36 referred to the figure, not the age, madam.—Boston Transcript.

### WESTERN EDITORS



A. S. Lorimer, publisher of the Journal, Carstairs, Alta.

### New Airship

Requires No Gas

French Government Is Investigating Invention of Two Italians.

The French Government is investigating a lighter-than-air flying machine, which is under construction at Naples. Using no gas, it is based upon the principle of the lightness or rarified air. By a variable exhaustion of air in a series of envelopes, levitation is obtained.

The machine is the invention of two Italians, Vaucou and Gargallo. They do not form anything like a perfect vacuum, but by a system of enclosed reservoirs, the centre one of which has the greatest rarification, they say they have obtained the result that the pressure of the outside atmosphere is lessened to a degree which makes the foil envelope practicable.

There are three features of the construction. The first is a double envelope, one part within another. In the outside envelope an atmosphere of seven-tenths is maintained, whereas in the centre envelope the air is much more rarified. The layer of seven-tenths atmosphere weakens the outside pressure upon the interior of the balloon, which exercises the levitation force.

The second feature is a series of hollow beams forming the frame of the machine through which compressed air circulates in a manner to exert a counter-action pressure against the outside atmosphere.

The third feature makes use of air heated by the motors to obtain a further decrease of the outside pressure.

Professor Garuffi, an Italian expert, holds that the new machine means a revolution in flying. It will do away with the expense of the use of hydrogen, and, it is said, will greatly reduce the crews needed.

The inventors say that the machine when perfected can make 350 miles an hour with 750 horsepower motors.

### A Poser.

An interesting story is now going the rounds concerning an editor who comes right out and flaunts his ignorance. He declares he can help his son with his night work when the questions asked are like these: "If it takes a four-months-old woodpecker with a rubber bill nine months and thirteen days to peck a hole through a cypress log that is large enough to make 117 shingles and it takes 165 shingles to make a bundle worth ninety-three cents, how long will it take a cross-eyed grasshopper with a take a cross-eyed grasshopper with a dill pickle?"—Ottawa Journal.

## Some Facts About Growth of Canada's Fine Buffalo Herd

J. H. Harkin, Commissioner of the Dominion Parks Branch of the Department of the Interior, in a bulletin, stated that Canada's buffalo herd, started a comparatively few years ago with a small number of animals, has greatly increased. Several small collections of animals, aggregating about 740 were placed in Buffalo Park, Alberta, extending from 1908 to 1912. That herd now numbers over 5,000. An actual count was very difficult to make because the animals range over 100,000 acres. They always go in small bunches and do not make any very outstanding efforts to facilitate a count. However, by using hand-drawn room counters a fairly accurate idea of the numbers of the animals was obtained.

The Commissioner says that these animals have become very numerous, primarily because of the natural conditions under which they live, but perhaps most of all because there is practically no diminution in their numbers through disease or anything of that kind. Each year a limited number are killed for various purposes, but so far as mortality from natural causes is concerned, the loss is practically nil. For instance, during the past year, 1920, only eight animals died from natural causes. These animals were found dead on the prairie, or with a broken leg or some other serious injury, making it necessary that they be slaughtered. Continuing, the Commissioner says:

"The numbers have been increasing so rapidly that we have been compelled to look toward—I might almost say—the commercialization of the herds. The establishment of that herd in the first instance was purely a matter of sentiment, but investigations we have been making would rather indicate that, as they often seem to be the case, what we started off to do from a purely sentimental standpoint may prove to be a valuable commercial proposition. For instance, there is a market for the herds—apparently a better paying market than we had ever anticipated. At the Montreal fur auction sales of last year, we had on sale a limited number of the mounted heads which brought as high as \$1,025 each. That was a surprise to us. The lowest price brought was, I think, \$325.

### Western Newspaper Changes Ownership



Capt. T. Barradell, who has taken over the control of the Milestone Mail.

A change affecting one of the brightest of Saskatchewan's weekly newspapers recently took place, when the ownership of the Milestone Mail passed from the hands of R. G. Ashwin to Capt. T. Barradell, M.C. The new proprietor of the Milestone Mail comes from Derby, Eng., where he occupied the position of works manager in one of the large newspaper offices there. Capt. Barradell served with distinction throughout the Great War. He was attached to the North Midland Field Ambulance and Northumbrian Field Ambulance. He saw active service on the Somme, Flanders and Champagne fronts, and took part in the last two German offensives. Capt. Barradell was decorated with the M.C. for gallantry and devotion to duty by remaining behind under heavy shell fire and clearing all wounded from a battery of Royal Horse Artillery during the German advance. Also for three days and four nights evacuating wounded and getting dressings and supplies to most difficult positions. Prior to the war he served with the 1st V.B. North Midland Brigade Bearers, Sherwood Foresters Bearers Company and the 1st North Midland Field Ambulance.

"Our robes, we find, are worth easily an average of \$100. Then we have the great meat value. There has not been very much experimental work in converting hides into leather. We have had a number of hides tanned for sole leather purposes. The reports which we have had in regard to its quality as sole leather are not uniform. The shoemakers, however, tell us that it is the very best kind of leather, because, while it gives strength and thickness, it also gives you greater elasticity than the ordinary domestic animal hide.

"The meat, we find, will also give us a very valuable return commercially. We are not yet in a position to put it on the market, because we have not the facilities in the way of corals, sorting pounds, etc. But we are gradually getting these, and we think we will get a substantial revenue from the sale of the buffalo meat.

"There is also a possibility of commercial development in the matter of the wool, and that possibility is a promising one. We have never clipped any of the buffalo. It would be a difficult, if not impossible, thing to do with the facilities we have at our disposal. But each spring the buffalo shed their wool, and we have our riders collect this wool off the prairie. We have it carded and spun, and it gives us a wool of extraordinary strength. I do not think it could be used in the manufacture of clothes or anything of that kind, but I imagine if it could be used in the manufacture of carpets you would have an article that would almost never wear out. A buffalo hide is practically as good as ever after it has been in use twenty years; the outstanding feature of the buffalo robe has always been its extraordinary wearing qualities.

"We have not yet carried on any experiments with respect to the domestication of the animals. This will probably be done. We are carrying on experiments with respect to cross-breeding of buffalo. We have reasonable expectations that we shall be able to produce an animal which will be able to range in the open all winter many hundred miles beyond the present limit for the domestic animal. These experiments are carried on by the Department of Agriculture, which has experienced veterinarians and animal husbandmen. We band them over the winter and give them the use of the necessary amount of ground. They have specimens of one-half, one-quarter, one-eighth, and I think, one-sixteenth of buffalo blood and sometimes the reverse in the case of the domestic animal.

"The work is largely in an experimental stage, but the animal husbandmen are optimistic in their views as to what the results of these experiments will be."

### Open Eastern Market For Alberta Potatoes

Freight-Rates On Shipments Has Been Substantially Reduced.

Following negotiations between the provincial department of agriculture and the Canadian Freight Association, the freight rate on shipments of potatoes from Alberta is substantially reduced, to become effective at once, the reduction amounting to \$400 per car from Alberta to Montreal.

Hon. George Hoadley, minister, and H. A. Craig, deputy minister of agriculture, made this announcement recently. Mr. Craig pointing out that the new rate which the government has been able to obtain from the railways will be the rate per bushel from Edmonton to Montreal about 17 cents. Heretofore the freight charge per bushel was 72 cents, practically prohibitive, whereas the new rate will be approximately 55 cents.

Mr. Craig says the department has been working steadily on the question of opening the eastern market for Alberta potatoes in view of the excellent crop in the northern part of the province and the crop shortage in Ontario, Quebec and Maine where a large surplus of potatoes is ordinarily available.

### Value of Fish.

The value of the sea fish catch in Canada during the three months period, April to June, 1921, amounted to \$7,624,810, of which Nova Scotia accounted for \$3,436,527, British Columbia \$2,462,238, New Brunswick \$1,086,731, Quebec \$359,150, and Prince Edward Island \$280,164.

Cincinnati is one of six places in the world where steel is strengthened by being boiled in oil.

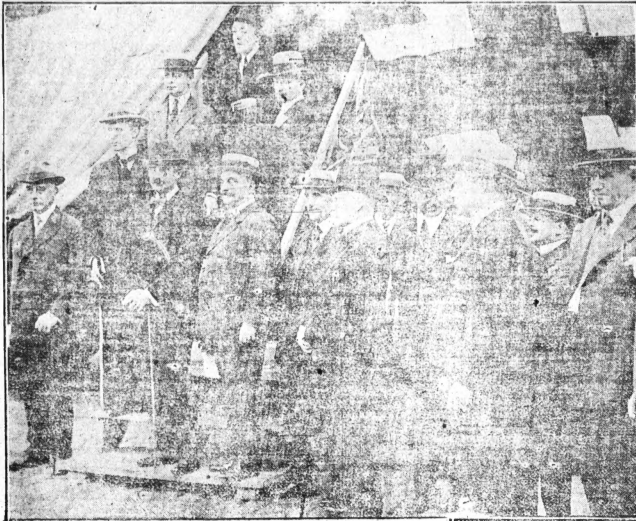
### THE CALAMITY HOWLER



STEP ON HIM!



## An Exhibition from France



At the inauguration of the French train at Place Viger Station, Montreal. Amongst the officials shown in this photo are Prime Minister Meighen, Senator C. P. Beauchien, Senator Smoot, Senator Dandurand, Count d'Arnaud, president of the train; M. de Lalande, vice-consul of France in Montreal; Mr. E. Hebert, of the C.P.R., and Mr. Morrison, of the C.N.R.

Geo. Clemenceau's head by Rodin, the famous sculptor, which is on exhibit in the French train.

A Made-in-France exhibition train is now touring Canada, over the Canadian Pacific Railway. It was opened at the C. P. R. Place Viger Station, Montreal, on August 29th, amongst those present being Premier Arthur Meighen, Mayor Martin of Montreal, and Senator C. P. Beauchien, who organized the bringing of the French exhibition goods to Canada and the tour of the train throughout the Dominion.

The object of the train carrying French goods is to promote cordial, social, and commercial relations, reciprocally advantageous to both countries.

The train consists of a baggage car, eight exhibition cars, a tourist, a diner, and two sleeping cars. The eight coaches of the train carry goods representative of:

- (1) The intellectual development of France;
- (2) Industries, commerce and

- tours;
- (3) French styles;
- (4) Leather industries;
- (5) Chemical goods, perfumery;
- (6) Instruments of various kinds;
- (7) Electrical goods, toys;
- (8) Agriculture, horticulture, food;
- (9) Jewellery, objects of art, clocks, watches.

But this list only gives an idea of the hundreds of things on exhibition. In the tour of the Dominion the train will travel a total of 7,000 miles.

During the four days which the train remained in Montreal it was visited by thousands of interested persons. It was a huge success at the Toronto Fair and is attracting large numbers everywhere it goes through the country.

A member of the staff of the Canadian Government commercial intelligence service is travelling with the



train, partly in order to study the results obtained from a business point of view. The information obtained is to be used in fixing up the railroad of Canadian products which it is stated is to be sent later on to tour France and probably the United Kingdom and other European countries.

## A Successful Woman Farmer in British Columbia



(1) Lillooet country, showing Mrs. Foster's ranch in foreground. (2) Mrs. Foster, of Lillooet, B.C.

At Lillooet, about thirty miles west of Ashcroft and north of Lytton, right in the middle of the dry belt in British Columbia where irrigation is the magic wand that turns the desert into a fertile garden, there is a little 32-acre farm owned and solely managed by a woman.

It catches the eye by its appearance of orderly prosperity, its shady orchard, well-kept gardens, the sleekness of the milk-cows grazing in the highest pastures and the vivid green of its alfalfa fields stands out in strong relief against the vast brown barren slopes of the surrounding country, sun-baked, covered with sage-brush and little else.

Wet as she is with a life-time's work of fifty-three years behind her, Mrs. Foster still carries on—as faithfully and as thoroughly as she did twenty years ago. With the help of an Indian who comes in to do the ploughing and give a hand with the haying and harvesting, she and a niece, who sometimes stays with her, manage the whole work of the farm alone.

Mrs. Foster gets more out of her acreage than any other farmer in the province. Every inch of ground is turned to account by methodical and scientific system; the vegetable and animal growth are made to react to each other's mutual benefit and both to the good of their owner and the country.

Her five milk-cows pasture on the farm and she sells all her dairy pro-

duce to an hotel; besides these there are a couple of work-horses, pigs and chickens. Every scrap of feed used for the stock is produced on the ranch itself.

Mrs. Foster has worked down to fine point just exactly how much space it is necessary to devote to alfalfa, grain and hay in order to do this and nothing is bought in the way of feed except perhaps a small quantity for the chickens. The crop and the animals balance each other and no overwork is allowed on either side.

This farmer is also a first class gardener, both in theory and in practice, and has sweet corn earlier and over a longer period than anyone else in British Columbia. She devotes about a quarter of an acre of well adapted land to her early spring garden and another piece with a colder aspect to her late summer planting; so by a carefully planned system of sowing in succession she has a plentiful supply of fresh vegetables to sell in the hotel and also to ship to other points.

Lillooet is never troubled by late frosts so her tomatoes are early and these she sells by the bucketful and last year shipped 100 boxes to the coast. The orchard contains every kind of fruit, including Italian prunes, peaches and apricots of which latter Mrs. Foster has two big trees (now in bearing) grown from seed since she came to the place nine years ago. Last year she ship-



ped away 700 boxes of fall and winter apples.

There are some healthy looking hedges of grape vines which bear profusely and plenty of raspberries and other small fruits, but her speciality is melons for which she is famous. There are rows and rows of these, cantaloupes, musk and water melons for all of which she finds a ready market. Her four beehives are partly the reason why her fruit is so successful.

And so we take off our hats to this woman who is "carrying on" so wisely and so well to our country's benefit.—H. G. W.

## KINSELLA

Hugh Baird, of the Kinsella sand pit, has had the sad misfortune of having his face infected with ringworm. He has just returned from Edmonton, where he has been receiving treatment for a couple of weeks and is much better.

James Morrison shipped three carloads of cattle from his ranch east of town.

Threshing is in full swing throughout the district but owing to the recent rains which laid up operations for a few days, not much grain has yet been threshed. The yield is reported to be very favorable.

A very pleasant party was given by Fred Wilkin on Thursday evening. The occasion being to commemorate Mr. Wilkin's birthday. The guests were entertained to a few songs in the parlor. Mr. Wilkin and Mr. O'Leary being in exceedingly fine form, and were deservedly encored, these gentlemen willingly responding. The party afterwards retired to the dining room where cards were indulged in. Among the invited guests the following were noticed: C. E. Proctor, W. A. Ramshaw, Lois O'Leary, S. D. Lennox, R. A. Stubbs, and S. J. Northey. Everyone voted the party the best ever and left in exceedingly fine spirits.

Grain is beginning to come into town now. About a dozen or so loads per day.

The pool room proprietor is erecting an addition to his dwelling house this week.

H. E. Frank and family left this week for points in Saskatchewan where they will spend a couple of weeks' vacation. Mr. Tobie is filling Mr. Frank's position as station agent.

Wm. Mann, manager of the Royal Bank here, has returned to Kinsella after enjoying a month's vacation at Toronto, Ont. and other points. Mr. Graham of Edmonton, acted as manager while Mr. Mann was away, and has now been transferred to Vermilion, where he will take over the accountantship of the Royal Bank at that point. Mr. Graham proved himself very efficient while here and made a number of friends during his short stay.

Mr. Marshall, local cattle buyer, is away for a few days' visit to Saskatoon. Hope he will soon be back as the town seems at a loss without him.

Mr. Freeman, of Colfax, Washington, is visiting his nephew, Mr. D. W. Kerns, this week.

A couple of thieving outfits have been sold by the local agents, E. C. Williams and V. R. Justice, and were pulled out of town last week. One was purchased by Mr. Johnson north of town and the other one by a number of farmers south of Kinsella.

Mr. Craig has returned from a two week's vacation to points in Saskatchewan. J. H. Smith was filling Mr. Craig's position as C. N. R. pump man while he was away.

## FINDS ENGLAND MORE DEPRESSED THAN IN PAST

Toronto, Ont. Oct. 5.—Dr. S. D. Chown, general superintendent of the Methodist church, who has just returned from the ecumenical conference in London, declares that he has never seen England looking so depressed.

"I have been in London under a German raid," said Mr. Chown, "and in the midst of the vicissitudes of the war, but even under those conditions the people seemed to be exhilarated as compared with their present mood."

Speaking of the tone of the everyday life of the people as a whole, Dr. Chown said:

"They have not back to their old drinking habits. It is at least very doubtful if England can maintain her economic supremacy without prohibition. She has already been ousted by the United States from the coal markets which she held from time immemorial."

"I never was in a country where there seemed to be so many problems, facing you in every direction, you turned and restricting life on every side, where prohibition of the liquor trade is so much opposed," said Dr. Chown.

"One would think the presence of so many prohibitions would be preparation for the one that is worth while. But the personal liberty cry prevails, and, as yet, the eyes of the common people seem not to be opened on the social and economic views of the traffic."

## Holiday Time—

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## NEXT YEAR WILL BE FINAL TEST OF ALBERTA AS AN OIL CENTRE

"There will be no letup in the Imperial Oil Company's development of the Alberta oilfields," was the statement made by A. M. McQueen, vice-president of the Company, who arrived in Edmonton today, accompanied by several other prominent officials and directors from headquarters.

Mr. McQueen confirmed the dispatch sent out from Winnipeg to the effect that a strike of two million feet of gas had been made at Pouce Coupe this year at a depth of 1650 feet. He added that drilling operations would be prosecuted throughout the winter with the utmost vigor as far as weather conditions permit at every one of the company's thirteen wells in Alberta. The drilling crews are all being left in for the winter with instructions to "carry on" as far as possible.

## Next Year, Real Test

"I have every confidence that next year's operations will finally determine the value of the Alberta oil fields," said Mr. McQueen. "Drilling during the next twelve months should reach such a stage that we will be in a position to have definite information regarding all the fields at present being worked."

The personnel of the Imperial Oil Company's party is as follows:—G. W. Mayer, vice-president; A. M. McQueen, vice-president; Victor Ross, and C. R. Ewing, directors; T. C. McCobb, treasurer, and P. J. Wolfe, general sales manager. It is expected that President Stillman will join the party at Calgary on Wednesday. The officials leave for Calgary on Tuesday night and from there will proceed to the coast.

The thirteen wells in operation in Alberta, as they were given to the Journal by Mr. McQueen are: Twin Butte area, two; Willow Creek, two; Black Diamond near Okotoks, two; Monitor, one; Coalspur, one; Pouce Coupe, one; Fort Norman, four.

That the Imperial Oil Company still has faith in the southern part of the province is evidenced by the extensive work being carried out in the foothills region, where several wells are being drilled. In addition to the thirteen wells named, several other fields such as Irma, are being prospected, and the intention is to start drilling operations in these fields.

## West Engages Attention

The company is devoting its entire attention to Western Canada, said Mr. McQueen, since Eastern Canada has been proved a field of little hope as an oil reservoir. The considered view of its geologists was to skip the prairies until the vicinity of the foothills was reached. The field of experimental activities has now been extended until Mr. McQueen said it reaches from the Fort Norman oil field almost to the Arctic, south to the international boundary, and ranging for a breadth of some 700 miles, which might be illustrated by the drilling activities now being conducted by the company in the Pouce Coupe district, almost to the Rockies on the west, while as far east as Rush Lake in Saskatchewan and Czar in Alberta, wells have been drilled. Both of the last two mentioned wells have been abandoned as non-productive.

Vice-president Mayer who is making his annual inspection tour, on which he flits all marketing stations declares that last year was a banner one for the Imperial Oil Company, the biggest year's business in the history of the company being transacted.

Mr. McQueen was asked if the company contemplated any special development next year. He replied that all wells at present under way would be continued, but new work will depend entirely on developments of the next twelve months.

He left his little girl.

The gas wouldn't.

Mix with squirrel.

His wheel came off.

He drove like a well.

How fast he went.

No one can tell.

He tried to cross.

The railway track.

He went half way.

But never came back.

## GEOLOGIST HAS RETURNED FROM INSPECTION TOUR OF NORMAN FIELD

The Fort Norman Oil Field will still require a great amount of experimental work before it can be put in either the proven or disproven class, according to A. H. Low, geologist for the Mackenzie River Oil company, who has just arrived in this city on his return from the season's field operations in the north.

It is no secret, as admitted by Mr. Low, that the results of the summer's work at and around Fort Norman are a disappointment, no additional strikes having been made and the original discovery well itself not having yet been proved a commercial producer. But there is every reason to believe that there is an oil supply in the Mackenzie region somewhere, and the only problem is to find just where. Several years may be necessary to do it.

## Better Chances Inland

The greatest possibility, Mr. Low is inclined to think, will be inland, at distances of perhaps fifteen miles from the river. This will still further increase the difficulties of operation, but the indications at several points at that distance inland are more favorable than along the shore, and some wildcat wells may be drilled there in the course of the next few years.

It is also the opinion of the geologist that the potential oil field does not extend far north of Fort Norman and that strikes are more likely to be made south than north. The Hay River field and some of the inland areas around Great Slave Lake are among the most probable prospects, it is now thought.

Nevertheless a great amount of staking has been done along the Mackenzie, says Mr. Low. For seventy miles north of Fort Norman the land has been staked on both sides of the river, though only a small proportion of the stakings have been recorded.—Journal.

## More or Less Funny

He—I hear your husband was killed in a feud.

She—Oh, no. He never rode in a cheap car.

A newly married young woman, who moved on to a farm near here recently, has become a chicken enthusiast. Farming is new to her but she is learning. While in town last week she was describing to a lady friend her great success in the chicken business. During her animated description her friend inquired, "Are your hens good layers?" "Oh, yes," she replied in a delighted tone, "they haven't laid a bad egg yet."

During a social gathering at Killam recently a prominent and well-known citizen was called upon to address the assemblage. He was new to the town and putting on airs he began his remarks by saying: "My dear friends—I won't call you ladies and gentlemen—I know you too well for that."

There are only two kinds of men who do not understand women—the married men and the single men.

Young people report that advice on kissing is discouraging. It all tells them not to do it.

## Why They Quit Driving.

Lies slumbering here

One William Lake;

He heard the bell

But had no brake.

At fifty miles

Drove Old Pidd,

He thought he wouldn't

Skid, but did.

At ninety miles

Drove Edward Shaw;

The motor stopped

But Ed kept on.

Here he sleeps,

One Johnny Founker;

He rounded a turn

Without a honker.

This monument's

For Jackson Druek;

His Lizzie was lighter

Than the truck.

Down in the creek

Sleeps Jerry Bass

The bridge was narrow,

He tried to pass.

They buried him darkly.

The silly fool

Had learned to drive

At a motor school.

Here he left

His little girl.

The gas wouldn't

Mix with squirrel.

His wheel came off.

He drove like a well.

How fast he went.

No one can tell.